



Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) Child Care Subsidy Monthly Report

April 2024

The following report reflects information contained in the Child Care Data System (CCDS) administered by the DESE Office of Childhood. Unless otherwise noted, data consists of un-duplicated counts of children and families participating in the subsidy program for the identified month. Database as of September 5, 2024.

SECTION 1: CHILD CARE HOUSEHOLD APPLICATIONS

*The status reflects the action that was taken during the month indicated.

		April 2024	Change From Month Prior	Change From 2 Months Prior
Submitted		3,259	7.8%	18.7%
Approved		3,168	-0.6%	32.8%
Rejected		1,455	41.1%	31.3%
Pending	15 Days or Less	0		
	More Than 15 Days	0		
Total Pending		0		

SECTION 2: NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS AND CHILDREN APPROVED FOR SUBSIDY

		April 2024	March 2024	February 2024	Change From Month Prior	Change From 2 Months Prior
Approved Households	Income	16,273	15,340	14,447	6.1%	12.6%
	Protective Services	3,625	3,401	3,006	6.6%	20.6%
	Total	19,898	18,741	17,453	6.2%	14.0%
Approved Children	Income	26,213	24,788	23,298	5.7%	12.5%
	Protective Services	6,528	6,357	6,081	2.7%	7.4%
	Total	32,741	31,145	29,379	5.1%	11.4%

SECTION 3: CHILD CARE SUBSIDY PAYMENTS

		April 2024	March 2024	February 2024	Change From Month Prior	Change From 2 Months Prior
Children Served	Income	15,912	15,248	15,637	4.4%	1.8%
	Protective Services	4,189	4,104	4,093	2.1%	2.3%
	Total	20,101	19,352	19,730	4.0%	1.9%
Payments		\$14,014,277	\$13,573,844	\$15,550,511	3.2%	-9.9%
Average Payment Per Child		\$698	\$703	\$790	-0.7%	-11.6%

SECTION 4: TRANSITIONAL CHILD CARE SUMMARY

	Level 1 (151-185% FPL)			Level 2 (186-215% FPL)			Level 3 (216-242% FPL)		
	April 2024	March 2024	February 2024	April 2024	March 2024	February 2024	April 2024	March 2024	February 2024
Approved Households	207	206	200	80	83	83	28	30	32
Children Served	344	352	388	142	155	162	59	61	64
Payments	\$217,832.75	\$219,052.50	\$251,145.18	\$79,784.81	\$87,986.26	\$112,186.16	\$35,113.89	\$34,731.98	\$38,882.26
Average Payment per Household	\$274	\$274	\$263	\$263	\$272	\$270	\$254	\$262	\$255
Average Payment per Child	\$799	\$309	\$720	\$1,157	\$315	\$1,126	\$304	\$318	\$314

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SECTION 5: CHILDREN SERVED BY AGE

	Children Served April 2024	Payments April 2024
Under Age 1	28	\$20,650
AGE 1	1,500	\$1,523,550
AGE 2	2,394	\$2,414,307
AGE 3	3,114	\$2,350,980
AGE 4	3,275	\$2,405,397
AGE 5	2,957	\$2,075,964
AGE 6	1,928	\$1,034,216
AGE 7	1,141	\$505,602
AGE 8	992	\$434,419
AGE 9	866	\$386,908
AGE 10	643	\$278,678
AGE 11	563	\$258,721
AGE 12	388	\$170,985
AGE 13	225	\$114,666
Age 14 and Over	67	\$38,343
Total	20,077	\$14,013,386

SECTION 6: APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AND APPROVED BY HOUSEHOLD AND BY REGION - April 2024

Region	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Rejected	Percent Rejected	Total Resolved	15 Days or Less	More Than 15 Days	Percent Over 15 Days
Cape Girardeau	264	379	156	10.4%	535	0	0	0.0%
Columbia	151	193	68	9.0%	261	0	0	0.0%
Jefferson City	167	255	85	8.9%	340	0	0	0.0%
Macon	73	101	61	13.5%	162	0	0	0.0%
Other	4	2	4	5.3%	6	0	0	0.0%
Raytown	586	657	301	10.7%	958	0	0	0.0%
Springfield	287	359	178	11.5%	537	0	0	0.0%
St. Louis	1,171	1,222	602	11.5%	1,824	0	0	0.0%
Total	2,703	3,168	1,455	10.9%	4,623	0	0	0.0%

SECTION 7: REASON FOR CARE FOR APPROVED HOUSEHOLDS BY REGION - April 2024

Region	Education	Employment	Homeless	Incapacitated Parent	Job Search	Other	Protective Services	Special Need	Training
Cape Girardeau	135	1,398	5	1	91	85	570	7	9
Columbia	71	754	9	1	62	57	295	1	10
Jefferson City	78	911	6	2	77	63	380	8	9
Macon	31	335	4	0	32	19	193	0	3
Other	2	28	0	0	1	2	13	0	0
Raytown	314	2,422	37	3	326	255	741	14	98
Springfield	137	1,237	10	2	111	99	627	10	15
St. Louis	708	5,336	76	7	535	503	924	41	176
Total	1,471	12,375	147	16	1,230	1,080	3,721	81	319

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SECTION 8: REASON FOR CARE FOR APPROVED HOUSEHOLDS AND CHILDREN						
	Households			Children		
	April 2024	March 2024	February 2024	April 2024	March 2024	February 2024
Education	1,471	1,403	1,311	2,402	2,291	2,116
Employment	12,375	11,804	11,282	21,415	20,517	19,509
Homeless	147	124	99	214	177	144
Incapacitated Parent	16	12	9	24	15	12
Job Search	1,230	966	656	1,154	903	589
Other	1,080	1,016	970	1,113	904	776
Protective Services	3,721	3,499	3,105	6,668	6,495	6,220
Special Need	81	78	68	113	106	94
Training	319	309	295	479	459	436
Total	20,440	19,211	17,795	33,582	31,867	29,896

SECTION 9: DEMOGRAPHICS OF APPROVED CHILDREN BY RACE

	April 2024	March 2024	February 2024
African American (Black)	14,742	13,906	13,031
American/Alaskan Native	132	116	101
Asian	94	87	75
Caucasian (White)	11,216	10,660	10,064
Multi-Racial	1,479	1,279	1,038
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	51	46	44
Other	3,074	3,088	3,112
Prefer not to answer	292	265	233
Unknown	1,678	1,711	1,733
Total	32,758	31,158	29,431

SECTION 10: DEMOGRAPHICS OF APPROVED CHILDREN BY ETHNICITY

	April 2024	March 2024	February 2024
Hispanic	4.9%	4.8%	4.7%
Non-Hispanic	75.0%	73.3%	71.4%
Prefer not to answer	20.7%	22.8%	24.6%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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SECTION 11: DEMOGRAPHICS OF APPROVED HOUSEHOLDS BY INCOME - April 2024

*excludes Protective Services households

Household Size	Approved Households	% of Total Households Last Month along Table (Down)	Average Household Monthly Income
1	2,100	10.6%	\$19
2	4,856	24.4%	\$825
3	5,467	27.5%	\$1,051
4	4,085	20.6%	\$1,211
5	2,206	11.1%	\$1,337
6	969	4.9%	\$1,306
7 or More	689	3.5%	\$1,330
Total	19,877	100.0%	\$917

SECTION 12: CHILDREN SERVED AND AVERAGE PAYMENT PER CHILD BY FACILITY

Provider Type	Provider Facility Type	April 2024			March 2024			February 2024		
		Children Served	Payments	Average Payments per Child	Children Served	Payments	Average Payments per Child	Children Served	Payments	Average Payments per Child
Exempt	Exempt Program	393	\$178,990.63	\$455	439	\$187,528.67	\$427	557	\$275,722.77	\$495
	Six or Fewer	827	\$365,341.64	\$442	863	\$430,101.07	\$498	791	\$430,324.87	\$544
Licensed	Licensed Child Care Center	16,123	\$11,877,184.01	\$737	15,402	\$11,354,769.63	\$737	15,877	\$13,096,289.63	\$825
	Licensed Family Child Care Home	770	\$464,193.13	\$603	709	\$409,378.72	\$577	722	\$432,330.17	\$599
	Licensed Group Child Care Home	459	\$209,328.88	\$456	425	\$199,071.36	\$468	407	\$217,312.93	\$534
Licensed Exempt	Religious Organization/ Nursery School	1,583	\$918,608.80	\$580	1,568	\$992,503.20	\$633	1,438	\$1,098,530.49	\$764
Total		20,078	\$14,013,647.09	\$698	19,311	\$13,573,352.64	\$703	19,694	\$15,550,510.86	\$790

SECTION 13: PAID AND CONTRACTED PROVIDERS

*Includes contracted providers and providers in the process of renewing their contract.

			April 2024	March 2024	February 2024
Paid Providers			1,600	1,610	1,678
Contracted Providers	Exempt	Exempt Program	158	157	157
		Six or Fewer	556	547	544
	Licensed	Licensed Child Care Center	1,212	1,206	1,194
		Licensed Family Child Care Home	217	215	213
		Licensed Group Child Care Home	62	61	61
	Licensed Exempt	Religious Organization/Nursery School	109	108	106
		Total		2,314	2,294

SECTION 14: CHILDREN RECEIVING OTHER STATE ASSISTANCE

	April 2024	March 2024	February 2024	Change From Month Prior	Change From 2 Months Prior
Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)	154	92	34	67.4%	352.9%
Low Income Housing	173	76	24	127.6%	620.8%
Medicaid	1,418	713	284	98.9%	399.3%
Food Stamps (SNAP)	1,565	816	370	91.8%	323.0%
Temporary Assistance (TANF)	74	34	17	117.6%	335.3%
Total	1,866	969	415	92.6%	349.6%